



Reducing the number and rate of children placed away from their birth families (Family to Family Outcome #1)

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What is this Outcome Indicator?

First Entries to Foster Care by Removal Reason and Entry Year (Children in Care 5 Days or More)

(http://cssr.berkeley.edu/CWSCMSReports/cohorts/firstentries/data/EEf_R0-5_98-03_10.html)

Where in CWS/CMS does the information come from?

- The referral allegation notebook, and the placement notebook. Information from prior to 1998 is from FCIS

How are we doing?

Abuse Type	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Neglect	591	765	842	734	899	772	600	631	552	577	488
Physical	196	197	211	246	212	190	102	110	159	80	83
Sexual	65	95	126	138	101	82	42	42	64	48	35
Other	36	27	23	29	13	23	29	16	9	17	3
Missing	59	60	37	22	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	947	1,144	1,239	1,169	1,247	1,067	773	799	784	722	609

How do we improve?

- In 1998 Voluntary Family Maintenance services were restarted and first entries into care went down 28%
- From 1999 to 2003 Neglect was the reason for placement 77% of the time. At times Neglect (more than other abuse types) can be remedied with the provision of resources and services so that the children can be left in the home
- Utilizing the Team Decision Making (TDM) process, finding ways to provide safety to children at risk without formal placement
- Utilizing neighborhood prevention services identified by Building Community Partnerships (BCP)

Data Integrity

- **The data extracted is only as good as the data that is put in to the system. It is up to each one of us to correctly and accurately put the proper information into the system for this and every outcome**

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http://www.fresnohumanservices.org/ChildrenandFamilyServices/FamilyToFamily/SelfEvaluation/DataSheets/CSI_01_01.pdf